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Dr. Otto Schales
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Dear Dr. Schales:

Do you recall our correspondence of about a year ago concerning congenital subluxation of the hip in German Shepherds?

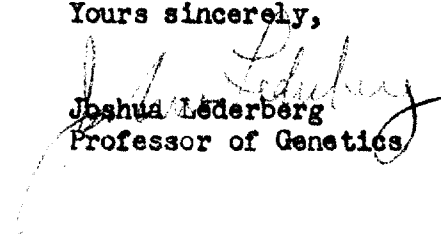
As I recall, we left the matter at the following point: you would endeavor to collect some pedigrees from which the inheritance of the trait might be worked out, and I would try to find published work on the subject. Have you obtained the pedigree data?

As to the literature, I have not been able to find anything on the condition in the genetic literature. However, it is more likely to be mentioned in veterinary publications, which I have made no attempt to screen— I am sure you could obtain more informed advice in that direction. No one I have consulted here or elsewhere has been able to help either. However, I have run into one reference that may be pertinent; unfortunately, the journal is not available here:

Moltzen-Nielsen, 1937. "Calve-Perthes Krankheit, Malum deformans juvenilis coxae bei Hunden." Arch. Tierhk. 72:91- .#

If I can be of any assistance in the genetic interpretation of any literature or pedigree data that you have been able to collect, I will be happy to.

Yours sincerely,


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